

City of Gaithersburg Press Release

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Magic & Fantasy Weekend at Arts Barn

Gaithersburg, MD – (March 6, 2020) Gaithersburg's *Arts on the Green* invites you to a celebration of Magic and Fantasy April 3 through 5, 2020, at the Arts Barn. Enjoy a magical weekend of events featuring magician Kourosh Taie, the Symphony Orchestra of Northern Virginia, a wand making workshop, and screenings of "The Lord of the Rings: The Fellowship of the Ring" and "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone."

Friday, April 3 **KOUROSH TAIE** – Magic 8 p.m.

Tickets: \$20 / \$18 (Students 15 – 21)

Comedy, magic and mentalism collide to create a tour de force of elegant deceptions and spell-binding entertainment. No *Repello Muggletum*, but this performance is for those ages 15+. Purchase tickets online here.

Saturday, April 4

SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA (SONOVA) - Music of The Lord of the Rings

3 p.m. All ages

Tickets: \$15 (Advance) / \$18 (At the Door)

Under the direction of Maestro Jeffrey Dokken, SONOVA performs composer Howard Shore's Oscar-winning score for "The Lord of the Rings," plus selections from other fantasy films. The Orchestra provides high-quality classical music to the region, one concert at a time. Purchase tickets online here.

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Saturday, April 4

THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING | Film - PG-13

Tickets: \$12 (Advance) / \$15 (At the Door)

7 p.m. Cash bar opens with themed drinks and snacks: 'Middle Earth Munchies', 'Dwarvan Delights' and 'Gollum Gobbles'

Nicole Hertvik of DC Metro Theater Arts hosts the evening, keeping Sauron at bay with a costume contest (dress as your favorite Wizard, Hobbit, Orc or Elf), a trivia contest (who were Lúthien and Beren?), and a quick Q&A. The Noble Blades stage combat troupe then presents a medieval sword fight, leading to a showing of **THE LORD OF THE RINGS: THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE RING**. Those 13+ may join the quest for the One Ring, but you must be 21 or older to drink with the Fellowship. Purchase tickets online here.

Sunday, April 5

WAND MAKING WORKSHOP

1 p.m. (30 minutes)
Cost \$10 per child (free for adult/guardian)
For Ages 6 – 10

"The wand chooses the wizard, Mr. Potter." Calling all Harry Potter fans! Make your own custom wand with magical results using glue, beads, paint, and more. What's your favorite spell? Children must be accompanied by an adult. Please wear clothes that can get messy or bring a smock, as we will be using paints, glitter and glue. Limited to 15 participants. Purchase tickets online here.

Sunday, April 5

HARRY POTTER AND THE SORCERER'S STONE | Film - PG

1:30 p.m.

Tickets: \$5 (Advance) / \$8 (At the Door)

After the Wand Making Workshop, join in a trivia contest and costume parade with prizes, open to anyone in costume (even muggles). Drinks and snacks will be for sale, and we'll have a selfie station with 'Sorting Hat' and Hedwig the Owl. The screening of **HARRY POTTER AND THE SORCERER'S STONE** starts at 2 p.m. Purchase tickets online here.

The <u>Arts Barn</u>, 311 Kent Square Road, and <u>Kentlands Mansion</u>, 320 Kent Square Road, are *Arts on the Green*, the City of Gaithersburg's home for the performing and visual arts. Patrons at both venues enjoy a wide range of quality theater, music and art programs.

For more information visit <u>gaithersburgmd.gov</u> or follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u> or <u>Instagram</u> at *ArtsontheGreen*.

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